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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln. No: 10/019,927
Applicant: Masazumi Yamada et al.
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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE CONNECTION
STATE OF DEVICES CONNECTED TO A BUS
T.C./A.U.: 2111
Examiner: Thomas J. Cleary
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated **July 2, 2009**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page **2** of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page of this paper and include an attached replacement sheets.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Abstract** are on page of this paper. A clean version of the Abstract is on page of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page **9** of this paper.